viii. Additional terms:

* During the gestation period the unit shall have to pay interest in quarterly installments.

* In case of delay or default of instalments, overdue interest 2% above the normal rate will be charged on overdue for the period of default.

* Insurance shall be arranged by the unit with NSIC as the beneficiary.

* The earnest money at the prescribed rates shall be payable on the cost of the machine on sanction of the proposal.

Non-Filling of Posts Reserved for other Backward Classes

1959. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether representation of SCs, STs and OBCs in Group A and Group B categories of Services has not reached 49.5 per cent quota prescribed for them (15 per cent for SCs. 7.5 per cent for STs and 27 per cent for OBCs) in his Ministry;

(b) if so, the number of Class I and Class II catgegory of posts under all PSUs/autonomous organisations under his Ministry; and

(c) the number of persons belonging to (i) General (ii) SCs (iii) STs and (iv) OBCs working against them and their percentage as ascertained under para 5 DOPT OM No. 36012/2/ 96-Estt. (Res.) dated 2nd July, 1997?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) The total number of filled up posts in Class I and Class II categories, representation of SC/ST/OBC/GEN

therein and their respective percentages under the Ministry of SSI, & its PSUs/Autonomous Bodies are given below:-

SI. No	Name of the	Category	Total posts No. of .	SCs No.	%	STs No.	%	OBCs No.	%	GEN No.	%
1	Ministry of SSI	Class I	311	55	17.68	16	5.14	7	2.25	233	74.91
		Class II	516	87	1,6.86	26	5.03	29	5.62	374	72.48
2	PSU	Class I	357	59	16.52	9 6	2.52	20	5.60	269	75.35
		Class II	210	41	19.52		2.86	25	11.90	138	65.57
3	Autono-mous Bodies	Class I	230	24	10.43	4	1.73	23	10.00	179	77.82
		Class II	211	38	18.00	1	0.47	30	14.21	142	67.29

Promotion of SSIs In Rural Areas

1960. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government for promoting small scale industries in the rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (d) Promotion of Small Scale Industries has been one of the conscious policies of the Government. Special thrust is given for rural areas through the schemes like the Integrated Infrastructural Development Scheme and the National programme on Rural Industrialization.